GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5118
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INSTALLATION OF TELEPHONE
NAWAL KISHORE RAI;RAJO SINGH;SUSHIL KUMAR INDORA

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been increase in the number of telephone subscribers in the country during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof, year-wise and State-wise;

(c) the details of target fixed and achievement made for installation of telephones in rural and urban areas during the said period, State-wise;

(d) whether there is any difference in the achievements made in both the areas;

(e) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(f) the steps taken by the Government to remove the disparity?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. The State-wise and year-wise details for the last three years are given in Annexure-A.

(c) The details of Target fixed and achievement made in Rural and Urban area during the said period is enclosed in Annexure-B..

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) The reasons for the difference in achievements are as follows:

i) Demand is scattered in Rural areas which required laying of cables for long distances causing delay in providing telephones.
ii) Approach roads to many villages are not in good condition or not there.
iii) Non-availability of Power Supply or un-reliable power supply in many villages.

(f) The following steps are being taken to remove the disparity:

i) Wireless in Local Loop (WLL) telephone systems are being installed in Rural areas on large scale basis.
ii) Capacity of existing exchanges is being enhanced and new exchanges are being opened wherever demand is more than 50 lines.
iii) Cables are being laid to wipe out the waiting list.
iv) Cellular Mobile System are also planned to be deployed during this year.
v) Solar Power Supply is being used in Rural areas to overcome the problem of un-reliable power supplies.

Annexure `A`

State wise number of subscribers during the last three years

S. N.	Name of States	Total Working DELs as on 31.3.1999	Total Working DELs as on 31.3.2000	Total Working DELs as on 31.3.2001

1	Andaman & Nicobar	15773	24463	30076
2	Andhra Pradesh	1572399	2227487	2838418
3	Assam	211906	273068	338328
4	Bihar	502221	627400	891796
5	Chhatisgarh+	0	0	0
6	Gujarat	1547828	1921850	2398691
7	Haryana	524565	642001	794194
8	Himachal Pradesh	225103	285130	346891
9	Jammu & Kashmir	107863	130021	173533
10	Jharkhand+	0	0	0
11	Karnataka	1464685	1829400	2256555
12	Kerala	1355084	1705139	2161583
13	Madhya Pradesh	941136	1095952	1263118
	Mumbai	2012410	2213388	2347302
14	Maharashtra	1874903	2331793	2976906
	Total for Maharashtra	3887313	4545181	5324208
15	Meghalaya	29944	38146	46283
16	Tripura	34519	44834	58845
17	Mizoram	24610	30615	37718
	Total North East - 1	89073	113595	142846
18	Nagaland	20084	26044	33052
19	Manipur	20372	25000	29503
20	Arunachal Pradesh	22066	30757	39269
	Total North East - 2	62522	81801	101824
21	Orissa	334273	423309	526416
22	Punjab	1083964	1292252	1543449
23	Rajasthan	927005	1109400	1326286
24	Tamilnadu	1523415	1926967	2477366
	Chennai	625245	767863	919651
	Total for Tamilnadu	2148660	2694830	3397017
25	Uttranchal+	0	0	0
26	Uttarpradesh East	872897	1106574	1408258
	Uttarpradesh West	809464	994004	1220249
	Total for U.P.	1682361	2100578	2628507
27	West Bengal	415851	541131	742905
	Kolkatta	852598	1029121	1229637
	Total for West Bengal	1268449	1570252	1972542
28	Delhi	1641503	1818236	1979856
	Total BSNL	21593686	26511345	32436134

Note : - + Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, and Uttranchal are the newly created circles

Annexure `B`

Details of the Target fixed / Achievement made in Urban and Rural areas during the last three years

S. N.	Name of States	Target DELs fixed during 98 - 99 for Urban	Rural	Total	Achievements 98 - 99	Target DELs fixed during 99 - 00 for Urban	Rural	Total	Achievements 99 - 00	Target DELs fixed during 00 - 01 for Urban	Rural	Total	Achievements 00 - 01
1	Andaman & Nicobar	6000	3672	3829	7501	7000	4206	4484	8690	7000	1892	3721	5613
2	Andhra Pradesh	250000	336772	68208	404980	350000	445675	209413	655088	575000	330583	280348	610931
3	Assam	50000	39835	10540	50375	60000	56963	4199	61162	55000	52610	12650	65260
4	Bihar	131000	79510	23618	103128	163000	91264	33915	125179	260000	186516	77880	264396
5	Chhatisgarh+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	Gujarat	250000	222771	32617	255388	250000	312686	61336	374022	330000	346255	130586	476841
7	Haryana	95000	74785	21385	96170	117000	77411	40025	117436	150000	81587	70606	152193
8	Himachal Pradesh	59000	14029	29188	43217	59000	24606	35421	60027	60000	17262	44499	61761
9	Jammu & Kashmir	30000	25891	-7390	18501	40000	20756	1402	22158	50000	41447	2065	43512
10	Jharkhand+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11	Karnataka	200000	171344	65658	237002	300000	264900	99815	364715	425000	242117	185038	427155
12	Kerala	325000	107730	163335	271065	400000	121411	228644	350055	450000	171294	285150	456444
13	Madhya Pradesh	110000	118508	21844	140352	141000	131959	22857	154816	150000	180120	-12954	167166
	Maharashtra	300000	289319	56029	345348	395000	334789	122101	456890	600000	430280	214833	645113
	Mumbai	230000	156781	0	156781	225000	200978	0	200978	240000	133914	0	133914
14	Total of Maharashtra	530000	446100	56029	502129	620000	535767	122101	657868	840000	564194	214833	779027
15	Meghalaya	6000	5167	1147	6314	8000	5566	2636	8202	8000	5316	2821	8137
16	Tripura	8000	6944	2073	9017	9000	8532	1783	10315	14000	10062	3949	14011
17	Mizoram	4000	3838	777	4615	6000	5315	688	6003	7000	4836	2267	7103
	Total North East - 1	18000	15949	3997	19946	23000	19413	5107	24520	29000	20214	9037	29251
18	Nagaland	5000	5009	493	5502	5500	5051	909	5960	7000	5560	1448	7008
19	Manipur	2000	1947	586	2533	4500	3854	776	4630	5500	3490	1013	4503

20	Arunachal Pradesh	7000	3986	3149	7135	7000	4654	4037	8691	8500	3373	5139	8512
	Total North East - 2	14000	10942	4228	15170	17000	13559	5722	19281	21000	12423	7600	20023
21	Orissa	60000	51288	16887	68175	87000	59573	29463	89036	100000	61937	41170	103107
22	Punjab	190000	115643	77826	193469	240000	102857	105431	208288	250000	119414	131783	251197
23	Rajasthan	163000	154689	16756	171445	180000	124031	58364	182395	210000	122907	93979	216886
24	Tamilnadu	280000	355212	2397	357609	350000	399945	3607	403552	550000	556676	-6277	550399
	Chennai	115000	122629	0	122629	140000	142618	0	142618	150000	151788	0	151788
	Total for Tamilnadu	395000	477841	2397	480238	490000	542563	3607	546170	700000	708464	-6277	702187
25	Uttranchal+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
26	Uttarpradesh East	133000	191570	-4885	186685	207000	177086	56591	233677	300000	180933	120751	301684
	Uttarpradesh West	139000	138360	16557	154917	193000	163670	20870	184540	190000	162820	63425	226245
	Total for U.P.	272000	329930	11672	341602	400000	340756	77461	418217	490000	343753	184176	527929
27	West Bengal	120000	61765	39660	101425	231000	85682	39598	125280	260000	103836	97938	201774
	Kolkatta	112000	180320	0	180320	110000	176523	0	176523	178000	200516	0	200516
	Total for West Bengal	232000	242085	39660	281745	341000	262205	39598	301803	438000	304352	97938	402290
28	Delhi	220000	90392	0	90392	200000	176733	0	176733	200000	161620	0	161620
	G.Total	3600000	3129706	662284	3791990	4485000	3729294	1188365	4917659	5790000	4070961	1853828	5924789

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